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TAGS: CDES
SUBJECT: DEATH OF AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, WILMA ROBERTS THOMAS

FOR: ROBERT RIDLEY
P.O. BOX 1132
LOOMIS, CALIFORNIA

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU
OF THE DEATH OF YOUR MOTHER, WILMA ROBERTS THOMAS. THE LOSADA FAMILY,
ONE OF HER STUDENTS, FROM BARQUISEMENTO INFORMED THE
AMERICAN EMBASSY AT CARACAS ON JUNE 10, 1977
OF HER DEATH BY A HEART ATTACK ON JUNE 10,
IN BARQUISIMENTO. THE EMBASSY WAS ALSO INFORMED
THAT SOME OF HER STUDENTS SPOKE WITH ADRIANE
CLARK OF THE SAME ABOVE ADDRESS AND THAT SHE
HAD CONTACTED THE CALIFORNIA STATE PATROL TO
FIND YOU TO TELL YOU TO CALL THIS EMBASSY.

2. YOUR MOTHER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY
HER AMERICAN PASSPORT Z2707198 ISSUED
AT CARACAS ON JANUARY 5, 1977.

3. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO
THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS
LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT
ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN
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36 HOURS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE
TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR
NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR MOTHER'S
REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES.
IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR
SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO CALIFORNIA WOULD
COST APPROXIMATELY $2000. CREMATIONS ARE NOT

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AVAILABLE. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE
COST IS $500. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE
APPROXIMATE.

4. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION,
PLEASE TELEGRAPH FUNDS AND INSTRUCTIONS
TO DIRECTOR, SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D.C.
INCLUDE IN MESSAGE NAME OF DECEASED
AND NAME AND ADDRESS OF FUNERAL HOME IN
THE U.S., IF SHIPMENT IS DESIRED. TELEGRAPHIC
MONEY ORDER SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE. IF YOU ARE HAVING
THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S., YOU
MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL
HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

5. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS
YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS
PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE
ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY 3-4 DAYS WILL BE
REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO
CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS
ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION
OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT
OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL
BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

6. IT IS WITH THE DEEPEST REGRET
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THAT WE INFORM YOU OF YOUR MOTHER'S
DEATH. BE ASSURED OF OUR DEEPEST
SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.

AMERICAN EMBASSY
CARACAS, VENEZUELA
VAKY

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED TO ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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